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SUBJECT: FY 1975 MAP LEVEL

1. THE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL FORWARDED LAST WEEK TO THE CONGRESS RECOMMENDS A MAP LEVEL OF \$90 MILLION FOR LAOS. ALTHOUGH THE LEVEL OF OUR EXPENDITURES IN FY 1974 CANNOT YET BE ESTABLISHED, I BELIEVE IT WILL COME OUT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$70 TO \$75 MILLION. FURTHERMORE, THE REVISED POM PROVIDES FOR A PROGRAM OF \$68 MILLION DOLLARS FOR FY 1975. IT APPEARS TO ME THAT IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO JUSTIFY THE \$90 MILLION LEVEL FOR 1975 TO THE CONGRESS, GIVEN POLITICAL AND MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS HERE WHICH SHOULD HAVE RESULTED IN A CONSIDERABLE REDUCTION IN MILITARY EXPENDITURES. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF GOING INTO ANY DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED UPDATED FY 1975 PROGRAM WITH STAFFDELS BRADY AND SULLIVAN, THEY WILL DOUBTLESS QUESTION THE \$90 MILLION FIGURE. WE WOULD URGENTLY APPRECIATE ANY RATIONALE THE DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE FOR THIS MAP LEVEL.

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